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For Superintendent of Public Instruction—JOSEPH ESTABROOK of Eaton.
For Member of State Board of Education—PERRY F. POWERS of Wexford.

THE impression is quite prevalent that Mr. CLEVELAND's retaliation message is simply a political scheme, invented for the sole purpose of staying the tide of desertion from the democratic to the republican ranks. It won't work; it is altogether too transparent a dodge.

MR. THURMAN, in his Port Huron speech, said, "The Negro is a prolific animal." Perhaps the expression will win colored votes to the democratic ticket, but we doubt it. It shows progress, though. Formerly "nigger" was the customary, contemptuous democratic epithet for a colored man. The democratic candidate for vice-president now calls him an animal. Perhaps, at some far-off future time, the democratic party may recognize him as a man. We say perhaps, as we are by no means sure about it.

THE congressional convention held at Dowagiac yesterday was a notable assemblage of leading republicans from all parts of the district. As was expected, Mr. BURROWS, who was present, was renominated by acclamation. St. Joseph county being the one to bring his name before the convention. It is altogether likely that he will carry every county in the district by a handsome plurality. The NORTHERNER confidently predicts that he will have at least 2,500 more votes than any man that may seek to defeat him.

THE MILLS bill taxes sugar, a Louisiana product, sixty-eight per cent and places salt, a Michigan product, on the free list; it taxes rice, a South Carolina product, one hundred per cent, but places wool, in which the entire North is interested, on the free list; it places a duty on undressed marble, a Tennessee product, of forty cents per cubic foot, but makes Northern building stone, freestone, sandstone and granite free. It is protection for the South and free trade for the North, and that is one reason why the voters of the North will repudiate the democratic party.

THE democratic party is greatly concerned about the welfare of the laborer when it comes to the question of salt. The tariff on salt, of which an ordinary family may possibly consume a dollar's worth in a year, more or less, is a grievous burden in the eyes of the democracy. But when it comes to sugar, an article that costs the same family twenty-five dollars a year or more, a sixty-eight per cent duty is not at all oppressive. Sugar grows in Louisiana; salt is made in Michigan. Let the laboring man, and everybody else, remember that when he orders a dollar's worth of sugar, the MILLS bill proposes to give him sixty cents' worth of sugar and forty cents' worth of democratic tariff.

DEMOCRATIC newspapers and democratic orators insist, a la THURMAN, that, taking the purchasing power of money into consideration, the laboring man is paid fully as well in Europe as in America. And yet the fact remains that thousands upon thousands of laboring men are constantly emigrating from the old world to the new, while there are absolutely no American workmen who seek to better their condition by casting their lot with the pauper labor of the countries on the other side of the sea. There is no truth in the assertion made by the free traders and no truth in the implication that the purchasing power of money is any greater in England than in America. There is no country on earth where the laboring man can buy more of the necessities of life with the same amount of money than in the United States.

A FEW months since, leading democratic journals were filled with freetrade editorials and the MILLS bill was lauded as a freetrade measure. But now the democratic party is hedging; the people are being heard from and they don't endorse freetrade. It is not freetrade at all, we are told, but only an average reduction of seven per cent. Ah! but that is not the question, the average reduction isn't what settles the matter. It is what articles are placed on the free list and on what articles is the tariff reduced? To illustrate; suppose everything except rice and sugar were placed on the free list and the duty on those articles allowed to remain as now? There would be no average reduction; on the contrary, there would be an average increase of thirty-seven per cent., and yet no one would have the hardihood to say that such a measure was not a freetrade measure. No one should be led astray by this average reduction sophistry.

This country depends almost entirely on foreign countries for its supply of sugar, the domestic supply being only equivalent to about one-eighth of the amount consumed; and yet, for the purpose of retaining Louisiana, the only sugar producing state in the Union, in the democratic ranks, the democratic party proposes to retain a duty of sixty-eight per cent on sugar. Last year, the revenue on sugar was nearly \$60,000,000, every dollar of which was a direct tax on the consumer, the domestic production being so slight as to have no effect whatever on the price. But when the republicans proposed to amend the MILLS bill by a still further reduction of the duty on sugar, the democrats promptly and contemptuously rejected the amendment. And yet we have heard of men who propose to vote the democratic ticket because of the tax on sugar! They ought to open their eyes and get better posted. Do they propose to lick the hand that smites them?

ONE of the leading democratic papers of the country, a short time since, rose to remark that Mr. CLEVELAND is the best and ablest president the country ever had with the possible exception of President LINCOLN. The NORTHERNER well remembers when this same paper, in common with its democratic contemporaries, habitually called Mr. LINCOLN a baboon, an ape and other similar pet names. And at the same time, the same papers called the soldiers who were fighting the battles of their country LINCOLN hirelings and approvingly published the infamous saying of Mr. VOORHEES that every soldier ought to wear a collar, labeled "A. LINCOLN, his dog." But now a change has come over the spirit of democratic dreams and LINCOLN is the greatest president the country ever had, and the democratic party is entitled to more than a moiety of the credit for crushing out the rebellion. It looks as though the democratic party were undergoing a sort of death bed repentance.

JUDGE THURMAN, like other free traders, repeats the stale and oft exploded statement that the tariff is a tax added, not only to the goods imported, but also to those of domestic manufacture. The following instances are sufficient to disprove the statement: Calico can be purchased here for six cents a yard—a sum equal to the tariff; in England, according to Mr. THURMAN's theory, it ought to be had for nothing. Certain kinds of dress goods on which the duty is seventeen cents per yard, can be bought in this country for ten cents; they should be given away in England and seven cents a yard bonus for taking them. Chloroform is subject to a duty of fifty cents per pound, and yet it can be bought here for thirty-five cents, fifteen cents less than the duty. At one time, steel rails were selling in America at twenty-seven dollars per ton, while the duty was twenty-eight dollars. The tariff was reduced to seventeen dollars and the price was advanced to thirty-three dollars. Before the era of protection, imported steel rails sold for \$112 per ton. We might extend this list at great length, but it is needless. It is not true that the tariff is added to the price of domestic products and manufactures; all the experience of this country goes to show the falsity of the proposition.

The Allegan Reunion.
The recent reunion of the soldiers and sailors of south-western Michigan, held at Allegan, called forth a large concourse of old veterans and bade fair to be one of the most successful gatherings in the history of the association, and would have been so, had it not been for a sad and terrible accident that occurred on Thursday afternoon, the third day of the meeting. While the crowd was listening to Col. Carr's oration, some of the members of the Kalamazoo camp, S. O. V., who had charge of the artillery, were preparing cartridges in their tent, when a fifty pound can of powder exploded with terrific force. Lee Weed was so badly injured that he died that same evening. Will McLain was also terribly hurt, and three others, Burt Sumner, Frank Proceus and Lew Parker were seriously and painfully burned. The awful accident cast a gloom over the camp and made the subsequent proceedings more of a mournful than of a joyful character. The following is a list of the officers of the association for the ensuing year: Hon. Geo. M. Buck of Kalamazoo, president; M. A. Merrifield of Union City, vice-president; A. A. Blakeman of Otsego, secretary; C. M. Hall of Union City, treasurer; W. H. Miller of Berrien, Norm Cooper of St. Joseph, Wm Norton Jr. of Van Buren, Wm Christie of Calhoun, Alfred Millens of Branch, and H. H. Pope of Allegan, county vice-presidents.

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